

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Amlan Datta, et al.
Application No.: 10/648,585
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Group Art Unit: 1731
Examiner: Queenie S. Dehghan
For: Synthetic Microspheres and Methods of Making
Same

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND
REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FINAL REJECTION
(submission under 37 C.F.R. 1.116)**

Dear Sir:

The Office Action made final and mailed May 23, 2007, established a three-month shortened statutory time period to respond. Applicants submit that this Response is timely filed with a Petition for Extension of Time for one-month.

Applicants first wish to thank the Examiner for holding a telephone interview with Applicants' representatives on August 30, 2007. The Examiner, in follow-up, stated that Applicants were required to file a formal request on paper for reconsideration of the Application for patent and a request to withdraw the finality of the rejection.

With this submission, Applicants request reconsideration of the Application for patent and a withdrawal of the finality of the rejection for the Office Action mailed May 23, 2007. Finality of the rejection is believed to be premature for the reasons set forth herein. This request is made during pendency of the application.

In view of the above and in response to the Examiner interview, Applicants submit the following:

Statement of Substance of Interview under 37 C.F.R § 1.133 that begins on page 3;

Amendments to the Claims provided as a Listing of Claims that begin on page 4; and

Remarks that begin on page 8 of this paper.